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## Amendments to the claims:

1. (currently amended) Apparatus for bridging a fuse of an electronic device comprising:

a base; and

a conductive element mounted on the base, which may be brought into contact with and

bridge a fuse, so as to provide operable conductive communication between elements connected to a

fuse.

2. (original) The apparatus of claim 1 and further comprising a plurality of conductive

elements mounted on the base, at least some of which may be brought into contact with and bridge a

fuse.

3. (original) The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the conductive elements are substantially

parallel and in spaced-apart relation.

4. (original) The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the base is resilient compressive material.

5. (original) The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the base is insulating material.

6. (original) The apparatus of claim 3 wherein the base is resilient, compressive, insulating

material.

7. (original) The apparatus of claim 3 wherein the plurality of conductive elements lies within

the periphery of the base.

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8. (currently amended) Apparatus for testing an electrical device which includes a fuse comprising:

a thermal head;

a base mounted on the thermal head; and

a conductive element mounted to the base, which may be brought into contact with and bridge a fuse with the thermal head adjacent an electrical device, so as to provide operable conductive communication between elements connected to a fuse.

9. (original) The apparatus of claim 8 and further comprising a plurality of conductive elements mounted on the base, at least some of which may be brought into contact with and bridge a fuse.

10. (original) The apparatus of claim 9 wherein the conductive elements are substantially parallel and in spaced-apart relation.

11. (original) The apparatus of claim 10 wherein the base is resilient, compressive, insulating material.

12. (original) The apparatus of claim 11 wherein the plurality of conductive elements lies within the periphery of the base.

13. (original) The apparatus of claim 12 and further comprising an electrical device which includes a fuse.

14. (original) The apparatus of claim 13 wherein the electrical device further comprises at least one resistor operatively associated with the fuse.

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